



Resource Family Connection

News, Events, and Information Benefiting the Children of Waukesha County July and August, 2022



Fourth of July Events

New Berlin Festival - July 2-July 4, 2022

Carnival, games, activities, live music, and more!

July 4:

9:30 a.m. - Mini parade

1:00 p.m. - Main parade

10:00 p.m. - Fireworks

For Additional Information: <https://www.newberlin.org/671/4th-of-July-Festival>

Pewaukee - July 4, 2022

3:00 p.m. - Parade

6:00 p.m. - Pewaukee Lake waterski show

Dusk - Fireworks over Pewaukee Lake

For Additional Information: <https://visitwaukesha.org/event/pewaukee-4th-of-july-festivities/>

Sussex/Lisbon - July 4, 2022

9:30 a.m. - Kiddie parade

10:00 a.m. - Children's activities and ice cream after the parade

9:20 p.m. - Fireworks

For Additional Information: <https://www.villagesussex.org/Home/Components/Calendar/Event/992/59>

Waukesha, City - July 4, 2022

11:00 a.m. - Parade in downtown Waukesha, featuring marching bands, floats, and a sea of bikes, trikes, and wagons

4:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. - Neighborhood Beer Garden at Lowell Park. Enjoy beer, music, and food!

9:30 p.m. - Fireworks at Lowell Park

For Additional Information: <https://www.waukesha-wi.gov/residents/independence-day.php>

Fair Days

Waukesha County Fair

Animals, rides, games, children's tent, Family Fun stage, food, drinks, and more. Daily reduced cost entry fee specials.

Where: Waukesha County Exposition Center, 1000 Northview Rd, Waukesha

When: July 20 - July 24, 2022

For Additional Information, including schedules, prices, events, etc: <https://www.waukeshacountyfair.com/>

Wisconsin State Fair

Animals, entertainment, kids activities, food, music, and more!

Where: Wisconsin State Fair Park, 640 S. 84th St, West Allis

When: August 4 - August 14, 2022

For Additional Information, including schedules, prices, events, etc: <https://wistatefair.com/fair/home/>

Local Berry-Licious Fun!

10 Tips for Berry Picking With Kids

<https://milwaukee.kidsoutandabout.com/content/10-tips-berry-picking-kids>

Pick Your Own Summer Fruit In and Around Milwaukee

<https://milwaukee.kidsoutandabout.com/content/pick-your-own-summer-fruit-and-around-milwaukee-berries-and-more>

Waukesha Farmer's Market

Food, produce, crafts, music, and much more! **Waukesha County Foster Care will be here on July 16 and August 20!**

Where: Waukesha State Bank employee parking lot, 151 E. Saint Paul Ave., Waukesha

When: Every Saturday through October, starting May 7, 2022

Time: 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

For Additional Information: <https://wvtv119952site.wpengine.com/programs/farmers-market/>

Piala's Family Fun Fest

Enjoy free admission, live music, food, bounce house, giant slide, games, door prizes, visit with our resident animals, exclusive festival-only plant specials, and more!

Where: Piala's Nursery and Garden Shop, S39W27833 Genesee Rd, Waukesha

When: Saturday, July 16, 2022; 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, July 17, 2022; 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

For Additional Information: <https://www.facebook.com/events/3345878555655486/334587855898819>

Hartland Kids Day

Food vendors, children's games, children's activities, face painting, bounce house, music, and more. **Waukesha County Foster Care will have a booth at this amazing event!**

Where: Nixon Park, 175 E. Park Ave., Hartland

When: Wednesday, July 27

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

For Additional Information: <https://lakecountryfamilyfun.com/hartland-kids-day/>

Summer Kids Dream Family Film Series

Presented by: American Family Insurance

Located: Participating Marcus Theatres or Movie Taverns

Head to your nearest participating Marcus Theatre or Movie Tavern to view your favorite family flicks! Special sizing popcorn and drink deals available for the showings as well!

For Additional Information, including movie schedule: <https://www.marcustheatres.com/marcus-specials/family-friendly-films/kids-dream-summer-film-series-2022?Name=&State=WI&SortOrder=0>

Community Playground Challenge

Youth and adults of all ages! Get out and play! This family event will let you explore the numerous playgrounds around Menomonee Falls and challenge you to play at them all! You will be emailed a list of 12 playgrounds. During the month of July, check off each one you visited. Once you complete your sheet, email your family name and two pictures of your family enjoying those playgrounds to cerd@sdmschools.org by August 5. Entries will be put in a drawing to win a basket filled with fabulous prizes from participating businesses. Winners will be announced on August 8. Free to participate. Registration required.

For Additional Information: https://apm.activecommunities.com/fallsrec/Activity_Search/community-playground-challenge/13307



Caregiver Training and Events



Due to COVID-19 and social distancing, we currently are not having any in-person trainings or informational sessions. A survey will be distributed at a later time regarding in-person trainings.

Caregiver Connection

There are no groups for the summer, but they will resume in the fall!

Waukesha County Foster Parent Information Sessions

Open to Waukesha County residents interested in learning more about foster care in our community. Also required for any new foster parents. The information sessions will be held virtually using Microsoft Teams.

Date: July 13, August 10, 2022

Time: 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Date: July 28, August 25, 2022

Time: 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

To Register: Email Rhonda Klinger (rklinger@waukeshacounty.gov). Please include your full name, email, and the information session that you plan to attend.

NAMI Support Groups

NAMI Southeast Wisconsin offers a variety of peer-led support groups for family members, caregivers, and loved ones of individuals living with a mental health condition. The groups are offered at various locations and times, including a few virtual options.

For Additional Information: <https://namisoutheastwi.org/support-and-education/support/>

Wisconsin Adoption and Permanency Virtual Support Groups

For Additional Information on the groups below, a full group list with additional information, and to register: <https://wisapsp.org/virtual-support-groups/>

KINnect Relative Caregivers of Children

A monthly virtual support group for relative caregivers in Wisconsin. Please join us for this opportunity to connect with other parents and grandparents as a way to share the joys and challenges of being a relative caregiver. Noon and evening sessions available.

Open Mic Teen Support Group

Join other teens of adoption or guardianship families for a live, video group session to socially connect and discuss topics related to challenges that arise in these family dynamics.



Fostering Families Online Facebook Discussion Groups

For Additional Information on the groups below:
<https://fosteringfamiliesonline.com/foster-adoption-kinship-online-discussion-groups/>

Foster Parenting Toolbox

Tools and discussion to help you successfully parent the child in your care.

Kinship Parenting Group

A place to discuss challenges, resources, and advice related to Kinship Care.

Retzer Nature Center Fun

Come to the Retzer Center for educational fun! Each child must be accompanied by an adult.
Where: Retzer Nature Center, S14W28167 Madison St, Waukesha
Cost: \$4 per child per class
For Additional Information, Class Topic List and to Register: <https://www.waukeshacounty.gov/enveduhub>

Wee Wonders

When: Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

A wonderful opportunity for nature exploration and discovery for children ages 2-4. Hands-on experiences about a variety of nature topics. Each program includes an outdoor experience, so dress for the weather.

Outdoor Classroom Series

When: Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m.

The 60-minute environmental education programs geared towards elementary students 4K and up. Programs will be conducted completely outdoors, so dress for the weather.

Wednesdays at the Planetarium

When: Wednesdays, 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

All shows are held at the Horwitz-DeRemer Planetarium inside the Retzer Environmental Learning Center. The 60-minute show is geared towards elementary students.

Craft Time! Suncatchers

By: b-inspiredmama.com

What You'll Need:

- ✦ Glad Press'n Seal
- ✦ Circle Embroidery Hoop
- ✦ Tissue Paper (colors of your choice)
- ✦ Circle Punches (various sizes)
- ✦ Scissors

What You'll Do:

1. Use circle punches to cut out a variety of colorful circles from the tissue paper.
2. Place a sheet of Glad Press'n Seal tacky side up in the embroidery hoop.
3. Apply the circles to the tacky Press'n Seal.
4. Remove outside hoop, press another sheet of Press'n Seal tacky side down over sheet of circles, and smooth together. Place outside hoop back on and tighten.
5. Trim excess Press'n Seal from back of hoop.
6. Add a ribbon to the top and hang in a sunny window!

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Children's Mental Health Outreach
262-548-7666

Medical Emergency: 911

Family Emergency: 211 or 262-547-3388



If an Allegation of Abuse or Neglect has been made against you, please call:

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920-922-9627